

Welcome!

TO ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Whether you are a longtime member, a regular guest, or a first-time visitor, we warmly welcome you to this morning's service. The experience of worship in this congregation strives to create a *community of seekers*, celebrating and nurturing a broad diversity of personal spiritual journeys.

Unitarian Universalism is rooted in a rich, historic tradition that embraces the ancient foundations of Jewish and Christian teaching and the flowering of liberal religious thought in early New England. It also affirms the truths of all of humanity's sacred paths as inspirations for our spiritual growth. Through quiet prayer and meditation, beautiful music, the sharing of our joys and concerns, and the message of the pulpit, we try to create a variety of textures and perspectives to speak to many different minds and hearts.

Most significantly, since its founding in 1729, Arlington Street Church has been "gathered in love and service for justice and peace." The ultimate meaning we can give to our experience together here is the challenge we take into our hearts to go forth from this place, working to transform and heal our lives and relationships, our community, and the world!

OUR UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FAITH

"We covenant to affirm and promote justice, equity, and compassion in all relations."

This is the second of the seven principles and purposes of Unitarian Universalism that our congregations covenant to affirm and promote. To read all seven, as well as the six sources of our free faith, please see the *Our Faith* brochure in the pews.

ALLELUIA!

At Arlington Street Church, we raise a hand and circle two fingers above our heads to signal joyous affirmation.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's Religious Education classes are held during the 11:00 AM service downstairs in the Perkins Room. Infant care is provided in the nursery, right off the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to lead you and your children there. For further information about our Children's Religious Education program, please contact the church office.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

FM amplification headsets are available from the ushers. Please do not remove them from the sanctuary. Accessible entry is via the ramp on the Arlington Street alley at the right-hand side of the front doors to the Church. Braille hymnals are available! Please ask an usher for assistance.

PARKING AT ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH

Parking on Sundays is available at the Back Bay Garage for a discount. Discount coupons are available at the Welcome Table after worship. Additional parking may be available on Arlington Street past "The Castle."

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The *Prudential Committee* is the elected governing board of Arlington Street Church. The members are: Tori Bell, Marilyn Castriotta, Doug Fiero, Danny Fournier, Carmen Griggs, Elizabeth Lindholm (Co-Chair), Mickey Randazza, Jenn Shaw, and Mark Watanabe. Officers of the Corporation are Herbert Gleason (moderator), Mary Ann Hardenbergh (vice-moderator), Karl Paulnack (Council Chair), and Carol Smith (clerk).



ARLINGTON STREET CHURCH
Unitarian Universalist

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2008

We member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist tradition
covenant to affirm and promote • The inherent worth and dignity
of every person • Justice, equity and compassion in all human relations •
Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our
congregations • A free and responsible search for truth and meaning •
The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our
congregations and in world community with
peace, liberty, and justice for all • The goal of world community with
existence of all peoples • The dignity of human life which draws
from many sources • Direct experience of that transcending mystery and
wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit
and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life • Words and
deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers
and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power
of love • Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical
and spiritual life • Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond
to God's love by loving one another • Humanist teachings
which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science,
and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit • Spiritual teachings of
earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct
us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature. Grateful for the religious
pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen
our understanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter
into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.

WE COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE:

Justice, equity, and compassion in all relations.

Directory

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Please take a moment to complete this card so that we may welcome you more fully to our congregation. Please drop it into the offering plate or hand it to an usher after the service. 11/16/2008

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

E-mail _____

Spouse/Partner _____

Children's Name(s) & Age(s) _____

I/we are visiting for the first time.

I/we have been attending ASC for _____

I/we would like a permanent nametag(s) for Sunday worship.
(Nametags are placed on a rack in the vestibule.)

Check here if you do *not* want to receive **Snapshot**, the e-newsletter of ASC with bi-weekly highlights of our community.

I prefer to be contacted by:

Mail Phone E-mail No preference

I would like to know more about:

Membership Classes/Joining ASC Choir/Music

Children's Religious Education Social Action

Adult Religious Education and *Connections* (ASC's small group ministry)

Other _____

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Boston, Massachusetts
Founded in 1729

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Boston, Massachusetts

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PRELUDE

Sonatine *Maurice Ravel (1875 – 1937)*
III. Animé
Molly Wood, piano

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Morning Has Come *Jason Shelton (b. 1972)*
Molly Wood, piano

Morning has come, arise and greet the day!
Dance with joy and sing a song of gladness!
The light of hope here shines upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home
Open our eyes to see that life abounds;
open hearts to welcome it among us.
The light of love here shines upon each face.
May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

WELCOME, PARISH HIGHLIGHTS, AND GREETINGS

CHALICE LIGHTING

Our flaming chalice, symbol of Unitarian Universalism, burns in celebration of the principles and purposes of our liberal faith.

***HYMN 163**

For the Earth Forever Turning

NEW MEMBER JOINING CEREMONY

We Need One Another *George E. Odell*
Responsive Reading #468

After the joining ceremony, the children are invited to leave for their classes with Erick DuPree.

**COMMUNITY CANDLES
OF SORROW AND JOY**

John Markham O'Connor

You are invited to share your sorrows and joys with the congregation by filling out a Candles Card in the back pew on the right-hand side of the sanctuary. Candles Cards are collected until the beginning of the first hymn. After the service, Candle Cards are posted downstairs during coffee hour. You may also submit a candle by Saturday night at the church website, ASCBoston.org, and clicking on "Worship."

We Pray text: Spiritual "Balm in Gilead" and *Nick Page*
music: *Nick Page* (b. 1952)
Ariana Valdes, soprano; J. Jacob Krause, baritone

AFFIRMATION AND COVENANT

Love is the spirit of this congregation,
And service is our gift.
This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace,
To speak our truths in love,
And to help one another.

El amor es el espíritu de nuestra congregación
Y el servicio es nuestro regalo.
Esto es a lo que nos comprometemos:
Convivir en paz,
Hablar nuestras verdades con amor,
Y ayudarnos los unos a los otros.

***HYMN 120**

Turn Back

SERMON

Home Free

Rev. Kim K. Crawford Harvie

SILENT REFLECTION, MEDITATION, AND PRAYER

ANTHEM

How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place *Johannes Brahms*
from *A German Requiem* (1833 – 1897)

OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Over 300 pledging members and friends support the work of Arlington Street Church with commitments averaging \$20 a week plus volunteer service. Whatever you give is greatly appreciated. Please consider a generous donation today! Contributions placed in an envelope will be credited toward your pledge or gift.

OFFERTORY

Rigaudon (August 2008) *Joseph Williams* (b. 1956)
(former Arlington Street Church Choir member)
Rodger Vine, piano

***HYMN**

I am Willing *Holly Near* (b. 1949)
Mark David Buckels, vocals and guitar

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** (sung twice; please join in)

When You Walk From Here text: *Linnea Good*
music: *Tom Witt*, arr. *Mark David Buckles*

When you walk from here,
When you walk from here,
Walk with justice,
Walk with mercy,
And with God's humble care.

***BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

POSTLUDE

Marche Triomphale *Sigfrid Karg-Elert* (1877 – 1933)
on *Nun Danket Alle Gott*
Rodger Vine, organ

* You are invited to stand as you are willing and able.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

John Browne
Al H. Ingram
David R. Janero
Jennifer Martin
Janet McDermott
Nancy Perna
Catherine M Stacy

...and Service is Our Gift

Carol Fisher and Ellen Spencer, Assistant Treasurers
John Markham O'Connor, Candles Coordinator
Ellen Spencer, Head Usher
Rev. George Whitehouse, Lead Worship Coordinator